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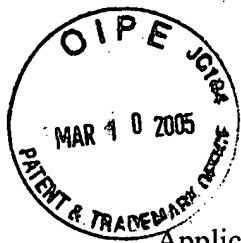
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent.

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Applicants are also enclosing herewith a copy of a European Search Report for European Patent Application No. 00 124 748.5 - 2221 that corresponds to the present application and of which the references cited above were cited therein.

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

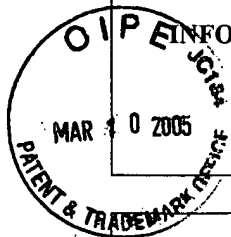
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